

grant of \$25 for the purpose of completing the cottage for occupation. All of which is submitted.

A BY-LAW

to exempt the Sewing Machine Manufactory from taxation for five years was read three times and passed.

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to change the name of Market street to that of Josephine was read, as also the petition which had been laid over, and which recommended Albert Street as the name for Market street.

Ald. Rapley moved, seconded by Ald. McDonald, that the passage of the by-law be laid over until next meeting of Council.

The motion was carried.

MARKET TOLLS.

Ald. Moffat moved, seconded by Ald. Smyth, that the Market Committee be authorized to sell by auction the market tolls for 1874, possession to be given the purchaser on the 1st day of January as usual, one week's notice to be given through the city papers before such sale takes place.

Ald. McBride moved that the matter be referred to the Market Committee to report upon at next meeting. Carried.

RESOLUTIONS.

Moved by Ald. Smyth, seconded by Ald. Cronyn, that it having been ascertained that there is an amount, \$37.05, in the Bank of Montreal to the credit of the Chairman of the Board of Health, deposited in that bank in 1858, resolved, that this Council instruct the present Chairman of the Board of Health to draw this amount, and deposit the same

in the city funds, giving to the bank the necessary guarantee. Carried.

Moved by Ald. Starr, seconded by Ald. McBride, that the City Engineer be instructed by this Council to examine the title of the Ordinance Lands, and report to this Council at its next sitting the extent of ground covered or conveyed by said titles. Carried.

ANOTHER ENQUIRY.

Ald. Christie moved, seconded by Ald. Williams, that the Finance Committee be requested to enquire into and ascertain what became of \$500 left by a patient at the City Hospital some years since.

Ald. Christie thought as ex-Ald. Hughes was chairman of the Hospital Committee at that time, he could give some information of the amount.

L. H. & B. R.

Ald. Shaw asked for information regarding the construction of the new line, and the position the city occupied to the road, and also to the Great Western.

A motion to refer the matter to the Railway Committee was then carried, with the understanding that the situation of the road would be fully explained.

STILL ANOTHER ENQUIRY.

Moved by Ald. McBride, seconded by Ald. Starr, that the Chairman of the License Committee be requested to report to this Council at its next meeting the amount of license or other moneys received by the city during the week of the Exhibition or in connection with the same. Carried.

The Board then adjourned for one week.

CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

Council Chamber, Dec. 15, 1873

The regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen was held in the Council Chamber last night, His Worship the Mayor in the chair, and present—Aldermen Moffat, McPhail, Leonard, Partridge, sen., Shaw, Rapley, Egan, Partridge, jun., Beattie, McDonald, McBride, Brown, Smyth, Cronyn, Graydon, Murray, Christie, Williams. The minutes of the two previous meetings were read and signed.

COMMUNICATIONS WERE RECEIVED

From the Secretary of the Y.M.C.A., desiring the City Hall on the evening of the 30th, for holding a concert. Granted on usual terms.

From Mr. S. P. Groat, Inspector of Schools, drawing the attention of the Board to the want of a Normal School in Western Ontario, for training teachers, and asking that a deputation be appointed to visit the Ontario Legislature, with the view of having the same erected in London. Approved of, and ordered that His Worship the Mayor select a Committee.

The yeas and nays were called for by Ald. McPhail, 10 to 5.

From Mr. Thomas McCormick, enclosing an account for construction of sidewalk, amounting to \$30. Referred to members of the Ward.

From Mr. Robt. Gunn, applying for the position of Returning Officer for No. 1 Ward. Laid over.

From Mr. Thomas Wastie, Chief Engineer of Fire Brigade, complaining of the action of the Fire, Water and Gas Committee. Referred to Com.

From Mr. A. Morphy and twenty-five others asking that if North street be changed it be designated Victoria Avenue instead of Queen's Avenue. Referred to members of Nos. 4 and 6 Wards.

From Mr. Joseph McAlpine Stevenson, applying for the position of chimney sweep. The petition was couched in terms more "sarcastic" than polite. Fyled.

From P. Gowers and several residents of William street, complaining of the swampy nature of that street and asking that it be drained thoroughly. Referred to Board of Works and City Engineer with power, after a long discussion.

From Mr. Wm. Robinson, C. E., enclosing the statement that Pall Mall street had not been surveyed further west than Richmond street in the original tracings. Fyled.

THE EXHIBITION GROUNDS.

Previous to taking up the reports a deputation from the Western Fair Association was heard, urging the Board to support a Bill which is to be placed before the Ontario Legislature with the view of keeping the streets in the Exhibition Grounds closed for all time to come.

Ald. Graydon moved that the matter be referred to the Exhibition Committee and Board of Works to report upon at next meeting of Council. Seconded by Ald. Brown.

The motion was carried unanimously, after a discussion which occupied two hours and a half.

At this stage a petition was received from the carriage-makers, asking the use of the City Hall for their annual ball on the evening of New Year's day. Referred to the Mayor and Chamberlain.

FINANCE.

Ald. Cronyn, Chairman, submitted the following report:—

Your Committee beg to report as follows:—
1st. Funds for an account of the *Advertiser* for \$151.18.

2nd. That the application of Mr. Bruce and others, asking for the use of the City Hall for the purpose of holding an assembly has been considered, and the Committee would recommend the Council to grant the Hall for one night.

3rd. The Committee recommend that for the future the "current expenses" for use of the Hall be in all cases \$10 a night.

4th. Your Committee have investigated into the circumstances connected with the statement and request made by Ald. Chris-